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5.(Twice Amended) The method of claim 2, wherein said step of solidifying comprises the

step of passing the coated length of steel pipe through a liquid bath to cool said thermoplastic

protective cover.

## Please add claims 18-20 as follows:

--18. A method of applying syntactic foam insulation to a length of rigid metallic pipe, said

2 method comprising the steps of:

co-extruding an inner syntactic foam insulator and an outer thermoplastic protective

cover around the length of rigid metallic pipe; and

solidifying said thermoplastic protective cover to retain said syntactic foam insulator in

6 a desired shape about the length of rigid metallic pipe.--

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--19. The method of claim 9, further comprising:

following said step of solidifying, re-heating said insulating product to provide a re-

3 heated insulating product.--

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1 -- 20. The method of claim 19, further comprising placing said re-heated insulating product

2 into a mold for reshaping.--

## **REMARKS**

Claims 1 and 5 have been amended. Claims 18-20 has been added. Claims 1, 4, 5, 8-10, 12 and 18-20 remain for further consideration. No new matter has been added.